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DELMARVA BROILER/FRYER MARKET, US Grade A, Week Ending 07-Mar-03

DATE	PRODUCTION (000)	ICE-PACKED, MULTI-DROP, IMMEDIATE DELIVERY			
	<u>Actual Slaughter</u>	<u>Live Weight</u>	<u>Price Range</u>	<u>Weighted Price</u>	<u># of Boxes</u>
03-03	2,160	5.14	45-70	56.20	9,863
03-04	2,355	5.17	46-69	55.35	9,663
03-05	2,354	5.12	49-69	60.50	8,164
03-06	2,318	5.08	50-69	59.99	7,703
03-07	2,260	5.01	49-67	58.68	11,008
Weekly	11,447	5.11	Cumulative:	58.00	46,401

NEGOTIATED TRADING, USDA GRADE A WHOLE ICE-PACKED, Week of 10-Mar-03

Weighted Averages for:	<u>Current Week</u>	<u>Last Week</u>	<u>Year Ago</u>
New York	55.26	55.73	47.43
Chicago	55.39	55.49	48.12
Detroit	56.45	56.23	48.80
Los Angeles	67.60	67.42	65.58
12-City Composite	61.12	60.83	55.70

NORTHEAST BROILER/FRYER PARTS Ice-Packed, Delivered first receivers, pool and trucklot volumes, cents per pound, Week Ending 07-Mar-03

	<u>Weekly Weighted Average Price</u>	<u>Total Volume/Pounds</u>
Breast - B/S	147.61	2,180,150
Tenderloins	114.28	491,940
Breast - With Ribs	86.51	839,400
Breast - Line Run	81.79	552,200
Legs	32.41	1,460,520
Leg Quarters (Bulk)	21.12	2,216,159
Drumsticks	28.40	591,610
Thighs	32.30	287,146
B/S Thighs	67.29	351,340
Wings (Whole)	71.24	946,330

(Includes NY City metro area, RI, Northern NJ, MA, CT, PA (NE of Harrisburg))

BROILER EGGS SET AND CHICKS PLACED (000), Week Ending 01-Mar-03

	<u>Current Week</u>	<u>Last Week</u>	<u>Year Ago</u>	<u>10-Weeks Prior</u>	<u>7-Weeks Prior</u>
Eggs Set	205,205	203,562	210,211	200,256	203,492
Chicks Placed	164,349	161,979	169,215	164,701	162,132

SLAUGHTER OF YOUNG CHICKENS UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION, W/E 01-MAR-03

	<u>Current Week</u>	<u>Last Week</u>	<u>Year Ago</u>
Head (000)	148,405	147,355	154,906
Average Live Weight	5.12	5.04	5.10
To Date 2003 (000)	1,325,928	1,177,523	-----
To Date 2002 (000)	1,370,820	1,215,914	-----

MONTHLY COLD STORAGE: Total frozen poultry supplies on 01/31/03 were up 5% from last month and were 7% above last year's level. Total stocks of chicken were down 6% from last month and down slightly from last year. Total pounds of turkeys in freezers increased 31% from last month and were 23% above last year.

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